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No response

except for medical vectors

# ARIZONA STATE VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

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# **COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION FORM**

if there is an issue with more than one veterinarian please file a separate Complaint Investigation Form for each veterinarian

# PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

	FOR OFFICE USE ONLY			
	Date Received: Jan. 2, 2022 Case Number: 22-74			
A. THIS COMPLAINT IS FILED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING:  Name of Veterinarian/CVT: Dr. Mangone  Premise Name: Palm Glen Animal Hospital				
	Premise Address: 7771 N 43rd Ave			
	City: Phoenix State: AZ Zip Code: 85051	······································		
	Telephone:			
3.	INFORMATION REGARDING THE INDIVIDUAL FILING COMPLAINT*:  Name: Jane McKay			
	Add			
	Stal Zip Cod			
	Home Telephone: Cell Telephon	-		

\*STATE LAW REQUIRES WE HAVE TO DISCLOSE YOUR NAME UNLESS WE CAN SHOW THAT DISCLOSURE WILL RESULT IN SUBSTANTIAL HARM TO YOU, SOMEONE ELSE OR THE PUBLIC PER A.R.S. § 41-1010. IF YOU HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE THAT SUBSTANTIAL HARM WILL RESULT IN DISCLOSURE OF YOUR NAME PLEASE PROVIDE COPIES OF RESTRAINING ORDERS OR OTHER DOCUMENTATION.

C	C. PATIENT INFORMATION (1):  Name: Denail McKey				
	Breed/Species:				
•	Age: 3	\$ex: <u>f</u>	Color: br		
	PATIENT INFORMATION (2): Name: Ginger McKey				
	Breed/Species: Australian Shepherd				
	Age: <u>6</u>	Sex: <u>f</u>	Color: tri		
D.	VETERINARIANS WHO HAVE PROVIDED CARE TO THIS PET FOR THIS ISSUE: Please provide the name, address and phone number for each veterinarian. Dr. Mangrone and much of the staff at different times				
E.			phone number of each witness that ha		

# Attestation of Person Requesting Investigation

By signing this form, I declare that the information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Further, I authorize the release of any and all medical records or information necessary to complete the investigation of this case.

Signature:

Staff at the clinic

Date:

### F. ALLEGATIONS and/or CONCERNS:

Please provide all information that you feel is relevant to the complaint. This portion must be either typewritten or clearly printed in ink.

I initially sent a message to the clinic in early December requesting vacination information for both Ginger and Denali. The message was sent through the clinic website. I requested the information be sent via email as I was getting my dogs licensed in the state of Oregon where we had recently moved. I waited one week and had not recieved the information so I called the office. I spoke with the receptionist who stated the doctor had to review the information and then it would be sent oot. This call was made mid December. As of today, January 2, 2022 I have yet to receive the information. I cannot license my dogs or make sure they are up to date on their vaccinations until I have this information. I am unsure why the clinic is withholding my pets information but I find this to be extremely rude and puts my dogs at risk. Apparently this clinic and Dr. Mangone do not care about the health of my dogs.

I want to file a "formal complaint for the \_\_witholding of my information.



# VICTORIA WHITMORE - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR -

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# **INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

TO: Arizona State Veterinary Medical Examining Board

FROM: AM Investigative Committee: Robert Kritsberg, DVM - Chair

Christina Tran, DVM Carolyn Ratajack Jarrod Butler, DVM Steven Seiler

**STAFF PRESENT:** Tracy A. Riendeau, CVT – Investigations

Marc Harris, Assistant Attorney General

**RE:** Case: 22-74

Complainant(s): Jane McKay

Respondent(s): Bernard Mangone, D.V.M. (License: 3371)

#### **SUMMARY:**

Complaint Received at Board Office: 1/2/22

Committee Discussion: 6/7/22

Board IIR: 7/20/22

#### **APPLICABLE STATUTES AND RULES:**

Laws as Amended August 2018

(Lime Green); Rules as Revised September.

2013 (Yellow).

In December, Complainant requested vaccination information for her dogs "Denali" a 3-year-old female rescue and "Ginger," a 6-year-old female Australian Shepherd, through Respondent's premises website. After a week without receiving her pets' medical records, Complainant called the premises and was advised that Respondent had to review the information prior to releasing the records.

According to Complainant, she still had not received the medical records by January 2, 2022.

Complainant was noticed and did not appear. Respondent was noticed and did not appear.

#### The Committee reviewed medical records, testimony, and other documentation as described below:

- Complainant(s) narrative: Jane McKay
- Respondent(s) narrative/medical record: Bernard Mangone, DVM

#### PROPOSED 'FINDINGS of FACT':

- 1. Complainant stated in her complaint that she requested her vaccination information for both her dogs, Denali and Ginger in December through Respondent's website. After a week without receiving her pets' medical records, Complainant called the premises and was advised that Respondent had to review the information prior to releasing the records.
- 2. Complainant reported that she still had not received the information at the time the complaint was filed on January 2, 2022.
- 3. Respondent only submitted medical records for Denali.
- 4. On December 27, 2021, the medical record reads that Complainant was requesting vaccination information for both dogs emailed to her.
- 5. On January 3, 2022, Respondent's premises emailed Denali's vaccination certificate. Unclear if this included Ginger's information.
- 6. On January 8, 2022, a request was made for the dogs' medical records by a veterinary in Portland.
- 7. On January 25, 2022, Respondent reviewed the medical records to be faxed or emailed.
- 8. On February 4, 2022, the medical records were emailed.

#### **COMMITTEE DISCUSSION:**

The Committee discussed that this case was straightforward. The medical records were requested and not provided timely to the requesting party.

#### COMMITTEE'S PROPOSED CONCLUSIONS of LAW:

The Committee concluded that possible violations of the Veterinary Practice Act occurred.

#### COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED DISPOSITION:

**Motion:** It was moved and seconded the Board:

ARS § 32-2232 (12) as it relates to AAC R3-11-501 (8) failure to provide copies of the dogs' medical records within 10 days from the animal owner or other licensed veterinarian's request.

**Vote:** The motion was approved with a vote of 5 to 0.

The information contained in this report was obtained from the case file, which includes the complaint, the respondent's response, any consulting veterinarian or witness input, and any other sources used to gather information for the investigation.

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Tracy A. Riendeau, CVT Investigative Division

RESPONDENT.

IN THE MATTER OF:

BERNARD MANGONE, DVM

CONSENT AGREEMENT
FINDINGS OF FACT

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW
FOR THE PRACTICE OF VETERINARY

MEDICINE IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA.

CASE NO.: 22-74

CONSENT AGREEMENT

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

AND ORDER

In the interest of a prompt and judicious settlement of the above captioned matter before the Arizona State Veterinary Medical Examining Board ("Board") and consistent with the public interest, statutory requirements and responsibilities of the Board, and pursuant to A.R.S. §32-2201 et. seq. and A.R.S. § 41-1092.07 (F)(5), the undersigned party, Bernard Mangone, DVM. ("Respondent"), holder of license No. 3371 for the practice of veterinary medicine in Arizona and the Board enter into this Consent Agreement, Findings of Fact, Conclusion of Law and Order ("Consent Agreement") as final disposition of this matter.

#### **CONSENT AGREEMENT**

Respondent understands and agrees that:

- 1. The Board has jurisdiction over Respondent and the subject matter pursuant to A.R.S. §32-2201, et. seq.
- 2. Respondent has the right to consult with an attorney prior to entering into this Consent Agreement. Respondent has a right to a public hearing

concerning this case. He further acknowledges that at such hearing he could present evidence and cross-examine witnesses. Respondent irrevocably waives his right to such a hearing.

- 3. Respondent irrevocably waives any right to rehearing or review or to any judicial review or any other appeal of these matters.
- 4. The Consent Agreement, once approved by the Board and signed by the Respondent, shall constitute a public record, which may be disseminated as a formal action of the Board. Sufficient evidence exists for the Board to make the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set forth in the Consent Agreement.
- 5. Respondent acknowledges and understands that this Consent Agreement will not become effective until it is signed by the Board's Executive Director. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that upon signing and returning this Consent Agreement to the Board's Executive Director, Respondent may not revoke his acceptance of the Consent Agreement or make any modifications to the document, regardless of whether the Consent Agreement has been issued by the Executive Director.
- 6. If any part of the Consent Agreement is later declared void or otherwise unenforceable, the remainder of the Order in its entirety shall remain in force and effect.
- 7. Respondent acknowledges that any violation of this Consent Agreement constitutes unprofessional conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-2232 and may result in disciplinary action pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-2234.
- 8. This Consent Agreement and Order is effective on the date signed by the Board.

DATED this 22 day of 436 2022.



## **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for the regulation and control of the practice of veterinary medicine in the State of Arizona.
- 2. Respondent holds license No. 3371 for the practice of veterinary medicine in the State of Arizona.
- 3. Complainant stated in her complaint that she requested vaccination information for both her dogs, "Denali" a 3-year-old female rescue and "Ginger," a 6-year-old female Australian Shepherd, in December through Respondent's website. After a week without receiving her pets' medical records, Complainant called the premises and was advised that Respondent had to review the information prior to releasing the records.
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11. The Board determined that it took Respondent approximately 33 days to provide Complainant with both of her pets' medical records.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

12. The Findings of Fact constitutes a violation of A.R.S. § 32-2232 (12) as it relates to A.A.C. R3-11-501 (8) failure to provide copies of the dogs' medical records within 10 days from the animal owner or other licensed veterinarian's request.

#### **ORDER**

Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law it is **ORDERED** that Respondent's License, No. 3371 be placed on **PROBATION** for a period of **one** (1) year, subject to the following terms and conditions that shall be completed within the Probationary period. These requirements include four (4) total hours of continuing education (CE) detailed below:

- 1. IT IS ORDERED THAT Respondent shall provide written proof satisfactory to the Board that he has completed four (4) hours of Board-approved continuing education in the topic of medical record keeping. Hours earned in compliance are in addition to the continuing education requirements of A.A.C. R3-11-401 (A).
- 2. All continuing education to be completed for this Consent Agreement shall be **pre-approved by the Board**. Within sixty (60) days of the effective date of the Consent Agreement, Respondent shall submit to the Board for its

approval a written outline on how he plans to satisfy the CE requirements. The outline shall include CE course details including, name, provider, date(s), hours of CE to be earned, and a brief course summary.

- 3. Prior to the end of the Probationary period, Respondent shall submit to the Board a certificate(s) of completion of the CE outlined in the CE plan that has been approved by the Board.
- 4. Further, it is ORDERED that Respondent shall pay a civil penalty of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) on or before the end of the Probationary period. Civil penalty shall be made payable to the Arizona State Veterinary Medical Examining Board and is to be paid by certified check, cashier's check or money order.
- 5. Respondent shall obey all federal, state and local laws/rules governing the practice of veterinary medicine in this state.
- 6. Respondent shall bear all costs of complying with this Consent Agreement.
- 7. This Consent Agreement is conclusive evidence of the matters described and may be considered by the Board in determining an appropriate sanction in the event a subsequent violation occurs. In the event Respondent violates any term of this Consent Agreement, the Board may, after opportunity for Informal Interview or Formal Hearing, take any other appropriate disciplinary action authorized by law, including suspension or revocation of Respondent's license.

ISSUED THIS 6" DAY OF September 2022.
FOR THE BOARD:
ARIZONA STATE VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD